

Cherry Grove Sept 28th 1838

My Dear Schora,

I thought that you had entirely forgotten me as it was so long since your last letter or that I had heard from any of you. and as my sole dependence is on your family for news of any kind, as you know that Susan and I are not for writing and what is more they have not any ^{news} on a certain subject which you know that my mother and grandmother have forbidden them to write on My mother was sorry that I told them I was an abolitionist but it has not made any difference. but they charge every thing upon the abolition and say if they had them here they would kill them. One of the Governor's slave ran off about three weeks since, and the Gov. says that he will have him if it costs him a thousand dollars, but they have not heard of him since and I sincerely hope they will not for as soon as they get him he will be sold to Georgia. I did not know but that they would think

that I had a hand in getting him off. but they have
never hinted at such a thing to me, if they thought
so. I only wish I could come home and tell you
some of the horrors of slavery. but in the spring
I hope I shall see you all, and become acquainted
with the new brother. perhaps I may come about
the time of the New York convention next spring
and then I can stop I mean to be at home by the
time of the New England Convention, where were
Burlingh, Stanton, and all the good people and
the Grimkies. you have never told me about that
wedding and about their kissing one another as
the clergymen said. but I do long so to be with
you and talk over all things, that it seems as if
I could hardly content myself to remain but as
it is as pleasant as any place can be that is at a
distance from your friends. I think I had better
remain there until the winter but is a long time
to stay from you all. eighteen months and not
see you in all that time. but I will try and do
my best, but the children are very stupid and it
seems as if you could never teach them any thing
they are so fond of dress and visiting. We go to Europe
in two or three weeks and remain two months so that
will make the time pass swifter and spring will
soon be here. and then I shall see you all

my prayer is that you may all be spared until
that time and that I may find you all in good
health. If it is not too expensive I mean to
take lessons in French while I am in Annapolis
of the Professor of the College, a German I believe.
I mean to study hard all winter. The Governor
says he will teach me Latin if I wish it. but
I do not know whether it would be worth while
as I think I shall never understand it well enough
to teach it. but I am ready to try when I think
of my not coming home this fall. The little
ones will be grown up. Lissy will be quite a
great girl and the baby will be almost ^{at}
^{years} old. before I see her. ^{our} Marie I hear ^{is a}
tall as I am now and Emma and Lucia have
stretch up too. what a large family of girls
between the two to have to maintain themselves
all their lives. We have fruit in plenty ever since
last May, and the peaches are delightful if
I do not hurt myself eating for I think nothing
of eating six or seven in an evening and other
of eating twelve. While after I get to Annapolis
as I shall be I expect in four weeks at most
and excuse all mistakes as I am in a great
hurry. Give my love to all. I remain yours
Lucretia M. Lewis

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Boston.